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for discussion on that amendment offered by Senator Schrock. There are no...Senator Chambers, your light came on. You may...recognized to speak.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'd like to ask Senator Schrock which bill he said this amendment came from.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schrock, would you respond to a question? Senator Schrock, Senator Chambers is asking you a question.

SENATOR SCHROCK: I was distracted, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's all right. Which...what was the bill number that this amendment came from?

SENATOR SCHROCK: The bill number was LB 891.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. I'm going to...I believe I support the amendment. This would stop...could you tell me again, just briefly, what it does with reference to people not voting on certain grants?

SENATOR SCHROCK: If you're...and I don't know if I can give an exact example, but if you're a member of...of a state agency, you will have to abstain from voting on applications which would provide funding primarily to your agency. So let's say...let's say you're a member of my irrigation district and you are on that board.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Um-hum.

SENATOR SCHROCK: You're either an employee or a board member of Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District and the grant would benefit the irrigation district through some environmental issue that they have to do to conform with the...let's say the Endangered Species Act. Then a member of that board I believe would have to abstain from voting on that grant.